Council Proceedings.

Council Chamber, May 31st, 1882.

A special meeting of the City Council was held last night, His Worship in the chair. Present—Alds. Pritchard, Hunt, Birrell, Hyman, Murray, O'Meara, Jones, Taylor, Skinner, Beattie, Ferguson, Higgins, Browne, Minhinnick, Crawford, Boyd, Buckle, Macbeth, Becher, Peel, Sharman.

Mayor Meredith stated that the meeting had been called to appoint a Treasurer in place of Mr. Brown, it being that gentleman's request that his resignation be at once accepted. He called on the Chairman of No. 1 Committee to read his report.

NUMBER ONE

Ald. Hyman read the report as follows: (1) That the resignation of Mr. John Brown, City Chamberlain, be accepted; (2) that the applications for the position of City Chamberlain be referred to the Council; (3) that the matter of granting a bonus and exemption to the Knitting Company be referred to the Council.

Ald. Hyman moved that the report be taken up clause by clause.

First clause read.

Ald. Boyd moved in amendment, seconded by Ald. Taylor, that the appointment of a City Treasurer be deferred until Monday, and that the City Clerk be requested to perform the duties till that date. Lost. Clause adopted.

Second clause read and adopted.

FIRST BALLOT.

J. Pope, 5; J. Overell, 6; J. K. Clare, 1; H. E. Nellis, 8; I. Waterman, 1.

Messrs. Clare and Waterman dropped out.

SECOND BALLOT.

Pope, 9; Overell, 4; Nelles, 8.

Mr. Ovell dropped out.

THIRD BALLOT

Pope, 11; Melles 10

Mr. Pope was declared elected, and a by-law confirming his appointment was introduced and read a first time,

On the second reading, Ald. Boyd moved, seconded by Ald, Buckle, that the name of Mr. H. E. Nelles be substituted for that of Mr. John Pope.

Mayor Meredith ruled the amendment out of order.

Ald. Buckle then moved in amendment, seconded by Ald. Jones, that the by-law confirming the appointment of City Treasurer be read a first time this day week. Lost.

On motion, the by law was read a third time, and passed.

The third clause read.

Ald. Murray moved, seconded by Ald. Minhinnick, that the clause be laid over till the next meeting of the Council.

Moved by Ald Hyman, seconded by Ald. Becher, that a by law be submitted to the people, to pay $1,200 per year as a bonus to the Crochet and Knitting Company for a period of ten years, the details of the by law to be reported on by No. 1 Committee at the next meeting of the Council.

Ald. Pritchard moved in amendment that the question be referred back to No. 1 Committee with instructions to decide on some plan to overcome the difficulty. Ald. Sharman seconded.

Ald. Hunt moved the previous question.

Ald. Pritchard's amendment was carried.

Ald. Taylor moved in amendment, seconded by Ald. O'Meara, that $1 200 be taken from the general fund, to pay the rent of a building in the city, for the use of the Ontario Knitting Company. Lost.

The yeas and nays were called for as follows:—

Yeas — Pritchard, Birrell, Jones, O'Meara, Taylor, Skinner, Beattie, Peel, Sharman.

Nays—Hunt, Hyman, Murray, Higgins, Minhinnick, Macbeth, Buckle, Becher, Ferguson, and His Worship the Mayor.

Ald. Hyman's amendment was then carried, and the Council adjourned.